

Special Events

Singing and Signing Time with Ms. Janine at the Playground

Singer/Signer/Songwriter/Guitarist, Janine LaMendola "*Ms. Janine*" will be playing children's music with sign language fun at Kids Kingdom this spring and summer. You're guaranteed to learn several signs and have fun at the same time! All ages are welcome. In case of bad weather please join her inside the Town Hall in Room 133. All ages welcome!

Spring Session: Wednesday, 4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Dates: 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25 (4 wks)

Summer Session: Wednesday, 3:00 – 3:45 p.m.

Dates: 7/6, 7/13, 7/20, 7/27 (4 wks)

Place: Kids Kingdom Playground, 100 Pocono Road

Fee: Free

5th Annual Speed Sitting

"Speed Sitting" helps parents find a babysitter for their child(ren) in just one hour. Each hour we will have up to twelve parents and twelve prospective babysitters. Every five minutes you will interview a new babysitter and at the end of an hour you will leave with the contact information for all twelve babysitters. If you are looking for some help over the summer or someone to watch your children for an occasional night out, this is an event not to be missed.

We are currently accepting reservations for a 6:00 p.m. start time (finishing at 7:00 p.m.) as well as a 7:15 p.m. start time (finishing at 8:15 p.m.). Interested parents and babysitters should contact Parks & Rec. at 775-7310 to pre-register.

Day: Wednesday

Time: 6:00 – 8:15 p.m.

Date: 5/18

Fee: Free

Place: Center School Cafeteria

Our Fourth Great Weight Loss Challenge

Looking for some motivation to make healthier choices this spring? Healthy Weighs Wellness Center is hosting another healthy weight loss challenge for local residents ages 18 and over. In order to participate, you must be overweight or obese according to your BMI (Body Mass Index). At the end of the 6 week challenge, the winner will be calculated based on the contestant who loses the most healthy weight as a percentage of their body weight. (A healthy weight loss is no more than one percent of your body weight per week.) The initial weigh-in is on Monday May 2, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and you'll be asked for an alias to use during the challenge to maintain confidentiality. The final weigh in will be on Monday June 13, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Healthy Weighs Wellness Center. Participants cannot be weighed in on any other dates to make it fair for all. The winner will receive a fantastic prize! Space is limited and registration is required by April 29, 2016 by calling the Parks and Recreation Department at 203-775-7310. Complete guidelines and details will be emailed to you once registered. The cost for the challenge is only \$20 and includes a Great Weight Loss Challenge T-Shirt! All proceeds from the Challenge will go to the Brookfield Food Pantry.

"Drive In" Movie Series

Now on Friday night...come for the concert, stay for the movie! We're going to be reliving all of the excitement of the Danbury Drive In right here in Brookfield at the fifteenth annual drive in movie series. Bring your friends and family, along with blankets, chairs, and snacks. The show starts at dusk at Town Hall, and will be shown on a 10 x 10 foot video screen. Seating will be on the lawn in front of the bandstand. This event is free! A flyer detailing the movies will be sent through the schools in June and will also be available on our website. Sponsored by Brookfield Democrats.

Day: Friday

Time: Starts at dusk

Dates: 7/15, 7/29, 8/12

Fee: Free

Discount Tickets for Lake Compounce

We are pleased to offer you the opportunity to purchase discount tickets to Lake Compounce Amusement Park in Bristol, CT. Tickets will be available for purchase beginning June 1 through August 26, and can be used for daily admission through September 2016. Price is \$28.50 for either adult or junior tickets. That's over \$18.00 less than the price at the gate for adult tickets!

New ~ Junior Golf League

This golf league provides students ages 6-18 the opportunity to have fun learning and playing the sport of golf with friends old and new. Play will begin on Thursday, June 23 starting at 1:00 p.m. and will continue on Thursdays for eight weeks through August 11. Students will be grouped by age to play and their handicaps will be calculated. "Clubhouse cash" will be awarded as prizes for students to purchase snacks and drinks, more golf play or golf balls and tees at the Sunset Hill Clubhouse. Students will need to provide their own clubs, balls and tees. Sneakers are acceptable footwear, no need to purchase golf shoes. \$15.00 registration fee to Parks & Rec to join and \$15.00 each week to play payable directly at Sunset Hill to cover 9-hole green fees, prizes, etc. Students are not expected to attend every week and will only pay for days attended.

Get out of Town

New ~ NY Botanical Garden – Impressionism: American Gardens

The New York Botanical Garden presents: Impressionism: American Gardens on Canvas, an exhibition that examines the art-historical and horticultural significance of the wildly popular garden subjects that prevailed in the US between 1887 and 1917. In the Conservatory, a horticultural exhibition will evoke several gardens depicted in American Impressionistic paintings on display in the Art Gallery. The Art Gallery will feature several paintings and sculptures by William Merritt Chase, Childe Hassam, John Singer Sargent and other leading painters of the American Impressionistic Movement; focusing solely on their American subjects. Our day trip features access to over 250 acres of breathtaking gardens and displays; unlimited access to the Tram Tour; entrance to all special exhibitions and daily programs; and time on Arthur Avenue to grab a bite to eat and shop for wonderful Italian goodies. Leave Brookfield Town Hall at 8:30 a.m. and travel with a tour director by coach bus. Arrive back in Brookfield approximately 6:00 p.m.

Day: Saturday Date: 5/21
Time: 8:30 a.m. departure Fee: \$77.00

New ~ Connecticut Lighthouse Cruise

Board the comfortable high-speed Sea Jet, a smooth sailing, wave piercing catamaran. The Sea Jet is equipped with modern airline style seating on two enclosed air conditioned passenger decks with spacious outdoor decks for viewing the scenery as you listen to an expert narrator. Our 12:30 p.m. cruise will be approximately two hours in length. We'll see eight lighthouses: New London Ledge, Harbor, Avery Point, North Dumpling and Race Rock and learn about Fort Trumbull, Fort Griswold and Plum Island. Enjoy a late lunch/early dinner at The Steak Loft in Olde Mystick Village. Begin with their salad bar, choice of chicken teriyaki, crab cakes or BBQ baby back ribs, potato, dessert and coffee. (Entrée choice required in advance.) Leave from Brookfield Town Hall at 9:30 a.m. and travel with a tour director by coach bus. Return to Brookfield at approximately 8:00 p.m.

Day: Saturday Date: 6/25
Time: 9:30 a.m. departure Fee: \$103.00

New ~ Great Jack O Lantern Blaze

This spooky and magical event takes place at Van Cortlandt Manor deep in Sleepy Hollow country, in nearby Tarrytown NY. See more than 4,000 individually hand carved, illuminated jack o'lanterns in this elaborate walk through experience. Meander through a historic 18th century riverside landscape and discover a breathtaking display. Prior to our early evening visit to the Blaze we will have time in the delightful village of Tarrytown to enjoy the shops and have a bite to eat at one of the many restaurants (at your own cost). Please note that there is considerable walking down a cobblestone path at the Blaze. Leave from Brookfield Town Hall at 2:30 p.m. and travel with a tour director by coach bus. Return to Brookfield at approximately 9:30 p.m.

Day: Saturday Date: 10/22
Time: 2:30 p.m. departure Fee: \$82.00